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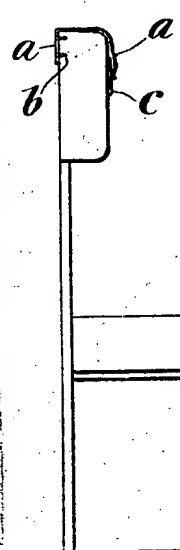


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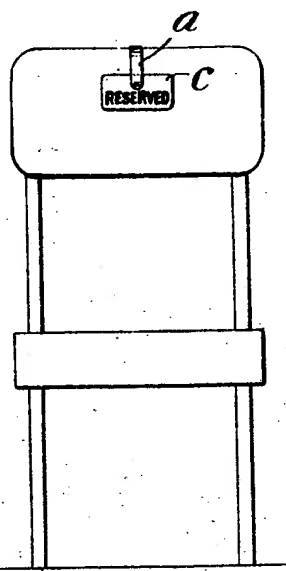


Fig. 5. Fig. 6.

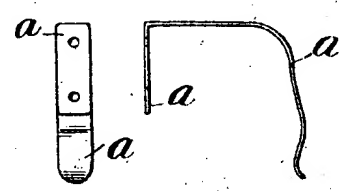


Fig. 9. Fig. 10.

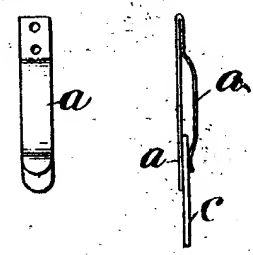


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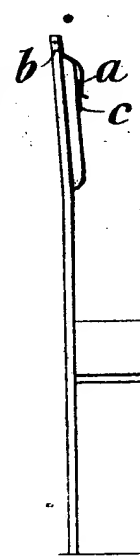


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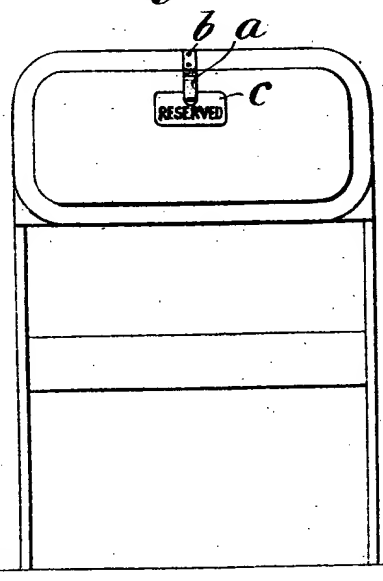


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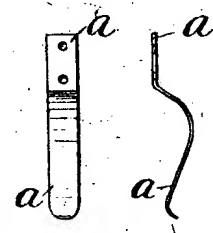
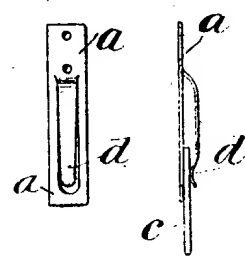


Fig. 11. Fig. 12.



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Improvements in and connected with Theatre and the like Chairs.

I, HARRY KILROW, Theatre Manager, of 56, Egerton Street, Oldham, in the County of Lancaster, do hereby declare the nature of this invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—

This invention relates to improvements in and connected with theatre, concert and the like chairs, which it is desirable to reserve.

Hitherto it has been customary to reserve such chairs by placing on the seat a card or pinning to the chair back a piece of paper having the word "reserved" printed or written thereon.

It has also been previously suggested to suspend by a hook placed over the chair back a card bearing the word "engaged", also to provide a support placed on a chair, comprising two flaps one of which was reversible and each bearing on one side the word "engaged" and on the other side "disengaged", also to arrange a strap or straps secured underneath a tip-up seat bearing the word "reserved", which when the seat was raised became exposed; or to employ two plates with a space between forming a pocket, the face of the front plate bearing the word "engaged" and the top edge of the back plate having secured thereto a cord or chain provided with a hook for the suspension of said plates from a seat back, and said space serving for the reception of the said cord or chain hook when the plates are not in use, and the back plate being provided with toilet paper or advertisements.

This method of indicating the "reserving" of a chair has been found troublesome and unreliable.

This invention has for its object to obviate said defects and provide a clip which is adapted to be readily attached to the back of the chair near the top and serves for holding a card, prominently displaying the word "reserved".

[Price 1/-]

A "reserved" seat card holder formed in accordance with this invention consists chiefly of a clip one end of which is secured by means of suitable fastenings, say nails or screws, to the top of the chair back either at the back or front thereof, while the other end serves to grip the said card.

The accompanying drawing illustrates for example a few embodiments of a "reserve card" clip, constructed in accordance with this invention.

Figures 1 and 3, are end views and Figures 2 and 4 front views, respectively, of a theatre chair provided with said clip.

Figures 5, 7, 9 and 11 are front views and Figures 6, 8, 10 and 12 respectively, side views showing on an enlarged scale various shapes of clips detached.

Referring to Figures 1, 2, 5 and 6, according to one embodiment of this invention, the upper end of the clip *a* may be so bent backwards as to clip on the top of the chair back and to prevent it from being removed, may be secured thereto by forming it with holes for the reception of nails or screws *b* as shown. A part of the clip *a* is so bent as to press inwardly and thus grip the card *c* inserted, securely.

Referring to Figures 3, 4, 7 and 8, which show a clip secured to the front of the chair back, according to another embodiment, the upper end of the clip *a* may be formed straight and provided with holes for the reception of screws or nails *b*, by which the clip is secured holding the card *c* in the same manner as shown in the previous Figures 1—2.

Referring to Figures 9 and 10, according to a further embodiment the upper end of the clip *a* may be extended and bent backwards along the clip back to form a base upon which the card *c* inserted is pressed by the clip.

Referring to Figures 11 and 12, according to another embodiment, the clip *a* may have a tongue *d* cut out which also

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provides a base for the card *c* to be pressed against by the clip *a*.

In the last two embodiments, the upper end of the clip *a* is also provided with 5 holes for the reception of screws or nails for the application of the clip to the front of the chair back in the manner shown in Figures 3 and 4.

10 Instead of forming said clip for the insertion of the said card from the bottom, same may be so formed as to be inserted from the top, thereof.

15 Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, I declare that what I claim is:—

20 1. In and connected with a theatre or the like chair, a clip adapted to be attached to the top of the chair and hold in front thereof a card bearing the word "reserved", for the purpose specified.

2. A clip as claimed in Claim 1, comprising at the top means for securing same to the top of the chair either at the 25 back or front thereof.

3. A clip as claimed in Claim 1, which permits the insertion of said card from below or from the top thereof, for the purpose specified. 30

4. A clip as claimed in Claim 1, comprising a gripping member with or without a back base, for the purpose specified.

5. A clip for theatre or other chairs for holding a card bearing the word 35 "reserved", constructed and applied substantially as hereinbefore described and illustrated in the accompanying drawing.

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